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**PART--I-- Orders and Notifications by the Government of Tripura,
 The High Court, Government Treasury etc.**

**GOVERNMENT OF TRIPURA
 HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE DEPARTMENT**

No.F.1(400-29)-ESTT/FWPM/2024 (Sub-I)

Dated, Agartala, the 18th December, 2024.

NOTIFICATION

In exercise of the power conferred by the proviso to article 309 of the Constitution of India and in supersession of the existing Recruitment Rules for the post mentioned herein, the Governor of Tripura is hereby pleased to make the following rules regulating the method of recruitment to the post of **Food Safety Officer** under the **Health & Family Welfare Department**, Government of Tripura, namely:-

1. Short title and commencement:-

- a. These rules may be called "Recruitment Rules, 2024" for the post of **Food Safety Officer** under the Health & Family Welfare Department.
- b. They shall come into force on the date of their publication in the Official Gazette.

2. The name of the post(s) shall be specified in Column-1 of the schedule annexed hereto.

3. Number, classification and scale of pay:-

The number of the said post, its classification and the scale of pay attached hereto shall be as specified in Column 2 to 4 of the Schedule annexed hereto.

4. Method of recruitment, age limit, qualification etc.:-

The method of recruitment to the said post, age limit, qualifications and other matters relating to the said post shall be as specified in columns 5 to 13 of the said schedule

5. Disqualification:-

No person, (a) Who has entered into or contract a marriage with a person having spouse living; OR

(b) Who, having a spouse living, has entered into or contracted a marriage with any person, shall be eligible for appointment to the said post:-

Provided that the State Government may, if satisfied such marriage is permissible under the personnel law applicable to such person and the other party to the marriage and that there are other grounds for so doing, exempt any person from the operation of this rules.

6. Power to relax:-

Where the State Government is of the opinion that it is necessary

or expedient to do so, it may, by order for reasons to be recorded in writing, relax any of the provisions of these rules with a respect to any class or category of persons.

7. Interpretation:-

If any question arises relating to the interpretation of these rules, it shall be referred to Health & Family Welfare Department, Government of Tripura, whose decision thereon shall be final.

8. Repeal and Savings :-

- i. Existing Recruitment Rules for the post of Food Safety Officer vide No.F.1 (700-6)- ESTT/FWPM/2018(V-III)/13757(V-1) dated 18th June ,2021 for the Health & Family Welfare Department, Government of Tripura shall stand repealed.
- ii. Notwithstanding such repeal, any order or notification issued and any action taken under the rules, so repealed, shall be deemed to have issued and taken under the corresponding provisions of these rules ;
- iii. Nothing in these rules shall effect reservations, relaxation of age limit and other concessions required to be provided for the Schedule Castes, the Schedule Tribes, Ex-Serviceman and other special categories of persons in accordance with the orders issued by the State Government from time to time in this regard.

By order of the Governor,

Signed by

Dipa Debbarma

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Under Secretary to the
Government of Tripura

No.F1(400-29)-ESTT/FWPM/2024(Sub-I)
RRs for the post of Food Safety Officer.
Health & F.W. Department, Govt. of Tripura.

S C H E D U L E

1	Name of the post	Food Safety Officer
2	Number of posts	23(twenty three) posts plus additional posts as and when created.
3	Classification	Group-B, Gazetted
4	Scale of pay	Pay Matrix Level-13 under Tripura State Civil Services (Revised Pay) rules,2017 read with its amendment(S) subject to revision by the Government from time to time
5	Method of recruitment whether by direct recruitment or by promotion or transfer on deputation and percentage of the vacancies to be filled by various methods.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. 100% By direct recruitment through selection by TPSC to be conducted as per principles prescribed under the New Recruitment Policy vide Notification No.F.20(1)-GA(P&T)/ 18 dated- 05.06..2018 and its subsequent Notification dated 29.10.2020. ii. 85% marks for written test and 15% marks for interview. iii. Syllabus of the examination as Annexure-A.
6	Age limit for direct recruitment	Not less than 18 years and not more than 40 years.Upper age limit is relaxable by 5 years in case of SC/ST/PII and Govt.Employee candidate.
7	Educational and other qualification required for direct recruitment	<p>ESSENTIAL :-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> I. A Bachelor's or Master's or Doctorate degree in Food Technology or Dairy Technology or Biotechnology or Oil Technology or Agriculture Science or Veterinary Sciences or Bio-Chemistry or Microbiology or Chemistry from recognized University. <p><u>Disciplines "Food Technology"</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Food Engineering b. Food Engineering & Technology c. Food Processing & Preservation d. Food Processing Technology e. Food Technology & Management f. Food Biotechnology g. Food Plant Operations Management

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> h. Food Process Engineering & Management i. Food Processing j. Food Safety & Quality Management k. Process & Food Engineering <p>Disciplines deemed to be covered under "Agricultural Science"</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Agriculture b. Agriculture Engineering c. Biotechnology d. Dairy Technology e. Fisheries f. Food Technology g. Food Nutrition and Dietetic h. Horticulture
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-	-	<p>II. Degree in Medicine(MBBS) from recognized University.</p> <p>III. Permanent Resident Certificate(PRTC) would be required for the post by the direct recruitment as per provision of Notification vide No.F.23(8)-GA(P&T)/2023 dated 7th July, 2023.</p> <p>IV. Desirable Qualification :- Knowledge of Bengali or Kokborok.</p> <p>Provided that no person who has any financial interest in the manufacture import or sale of any article of food shall be appointed to be a Food Safety Officer under the rule.</p>
8	Whether age and educational qualification prescribed for direct recruitment will apply in case of promotion	Not applicable
9	Whether Selection post or Non-Selection Post.	Selection post
10	Period of probation, if any	2(two) years.
11	In case of recruitment by promotion/transfer on deputation, grades from which Promotion/transfer	Not applicable

	on deputation is to be made.	
12	If a DPC exists, what is its composition	Group-B (Gazetted) (D.P.C.)
13	Circumstances in which TPSC is to be consulted while making recruitment	As required under TPSC (Exemption from consultation) Regulation-1973
14	Repeal	The existing Recruitment Rules for the post of Food safety Officer Vide No.F.1(700-6)-ESTT/FWPM/2018(V-III)/ 13757(V-1), dated 18 th June' 2021 is hereby stand repealed .

**Signed by
Dipa Debbarma**

Date: 18-12-2024 12:00:06

**Under Secretary to the Government of Tripura
Department of Health & Family Welfare.**

ANNEXURE-A

Syllabus: Food Safety Officer (FSO).

PART A : - General Aptitude and Computer Literacy - indicative syllabus.

Subject and Syllabus	Marks	Question Pattern MCQ
GENERAL APTITUDE		
General Intelligence: Would include questions of both verbal and non-verbal type e.g. Questions on analogies, similarities and differences, space visualization, problem solving, analysis, judgment, decision making, visual memory, discriminating observations, relationship concepts, arithmetical reasoning, verbal and figure classification arithmetical number series, Non-verbal series etc.	05	05 Questions
General Awareness: Questions to test the ability of the candidate's General Awareness of the environment around him/her and its application to society. Also testing knowledge of current events and matters of every day observation as may be expected of an educated person. The test will include questions relating to India and neighboring countries specially pertaining to History, Culture, Geography, Economic scene, General Polity including Indian Constitution, sports and scientific research etc. These questions will be such that they do not require a special study of any discipline	05	05 Questions
English language Comprehension: Would test the candidates understanding of the English language, its vocabulary, grammar etc. Would include questions on comprehension, on word substitution, synonyms and antonyms, spelling error, spotting errors in sentences, grammar - noun, pronoun, adjectives, verbs, prepositions, conjunctions, use of 'a', 'an' and 'the', idioms and phrases etc.	05	05 Questions
COMPUTER LITERACY		
Candidate is expected to be able to handle all regular office work on computers, Knowledge of MS office (Word, Excel, PowerPoint) including basic commands, Google Docs, emails commonly use social media handles (Whatsapp, Facebook, Twitter, etc.) would be tested	05	05 Questions

PART B :- Functional Knowledge- Indicative Syllabus.

Subject and Syllabus	Marks	Question Pattern MCQ
Indian and International Food Laws (An Overview)		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Food Safety and Standards Act of India, 2006: Provision, definitions and different sections of the Act and implementation. • FSS Rules and Regulations. • Overview of other relevant national bodies (e.g. APEDA, BIS, EIC, MPEDA, Spice Board etc.). • International Food Control Systems/ Laws, Regulations and Standard/ Guidelines with regard to Food Safety- (i) Overview of CODEX Alimentarius Commissions (History, Members, Standard settings and Advisory Mechanisms: JECFA, JEMRA, JMPR): WTO agreements (SPS/TBT). • Important national and international accreditation bodies. 	20	20 Questions
FSSAI - Role, Functions, Initiatives (A General Understanding)		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Genesis and Evolution of FSSAI. • Structures and Functions of Food Authority. • Overview of Systems and Processes in Standards, Enforcement, Laboratory ecosystems, imports, Third Party Audit, etc. 	20	20 Questions
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Promoting Safe and wholesome foods (Eat Right India, Food fortification, snf, clean Street Food Hub, RUCO and various other social and behavioural changes initiatives) • Training and capacity building. • Role of State Food Authorities. 	25	25 Questions
Subject Matter Knowledge		
Principles of Food Preservation, Processing and Packaging		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Food Processing Operations, Principles, Good Manufacturing Practices. • Overview of food preservation methods and their underlying principles including novel and emerging methods/principles. • Overview of food packaging methods and principles including novel packaging 	25	25 Questions

materials/techniques

Principles and Basics of Food Chemistry and their role in Human Nutrition

- Structure and functions of macro-and micro nutrients
- Role of macro and micronutrients in human nutrition
- Overview of food additives with respect to their technological functions
- Overview of anti-nutritional factors and their removal from foods
- Overview of enzymes as food processing aids
- Overview of nutraceuticals and functions foods
- Overview of food contaminants and adulterants and their effects on human health
- Food allergens and allergenicity
- Importance of diet in alleviating health risks, especially non-communicable diseases

Food Microbiology & General principles of Food Hygiene

- General principles of food microbiology and overview of food borne pathogens
- Overview of sources of micro-organisms in food chain (raw materials, water, air, equipment etc.) and micro-biological quality of foods
- Microbial food spoilage and Food borne diseases
- General principles and techniques in microbiological examination of foods
- Overview of beneficial microorganisms and their role in food processing and human nutrition
- General principles of food safety management systems including traceability and recall sanitation, HACCP, Good production and processing practices (GMP, GAP, GHP, GLP, BAP etc.).

General concepts of Food Analysis and Testing

- Fundamentals of field level and laboratory

sampling with reference to importance of statistical tools, • Overview of basic/classical methods of food analysis • Overview of modern analytical techniques including mass spectrometry and molecular techniques. • Principles of Quality assurance and Quality control with reference to food analysis and testing.		
Total Marks	85	

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